# November Newsletter 2024-25

# Basinview Drive Community School

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

October was a busy month! In classrooms we took the opportunity to deepen our understanding of Mi'Kmaq history and contemporary culture, reinforcing the idea that we are all treaty people.

Now that November is here and routines are well-established, we will not only continue to prioritize high-quality learning experiences but also encourage students to build upon and showcase their knowledge across the various topics they are exploring in class. Our school remains committed to excellence in instruction and is dedicated to achieving our goals in literacy and math.

As fall has fully set in and colder weather becomes more frequent, we remind everyone that we go outdoors as much as possible. Be sure to dress warmly for chilly mornings and consider packing an extra pair of mittens or gloves for unexpected cooler temperatures.

This time of year also presents a wonderful opportunity to reflect and be thankful for the peace and sense of community we share. We remember and honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice to protect our peace, as well as those who have served and continue to serve.

On Remembrance Day, please take a moment to reflect, honor, and give thanks to those who have given us the gifts of freedom, peace, and security.

Sincerely,

Tom Cleary and Christopher Dawson



# **November Dates**

#### **November 8**

Indigenous Veterans Day

In-school Remembrance Day assembly – 10:45am

#### **November 11**

Remembrance Day – No School for Students

## November 12

PTA Meeting – 6:30pm in school library

#### November 18

SAC Meeting – 6:30pm in the school library

#### November 22

Assessment & Evaluation Day

– No School for Students

#### December 3

Report Cards go Home

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# Remembrance Day Ceremony

We would like to invite all service members, past and present, to attend our Remembrance Day Assembly on Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:45am. This is a special occasion to honor the courage and sacrifices of those who have served, or currently work in service of our country. We will share tributes, reflections, and moments of silence to commemorate the bravery of our veterans and activeduty service members.

The presence of those who have/do serve our country will add great meaning to our assembly and we would like to take this time to show our appreciation in person.

Kindly RSVP by Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> to Mr. Cleary – tcleary@hrce.ca. Thank you for your service; we look forward to coming together to honor our heroes.

## **PTA News**

For its first large scale fundraiser, The Basinview Drive PTA is thrilled to partner with Randy's Pizza once again, to raise funds for brandnew classroom supplies and innovative learning tools.

Students are invited to sell pizza kits to friends and family from October 28th to November 5th. Order forms were sent home last week, but can also be found on the school website - https://bvc.hrce.ca

Any questions please reach out to or PTA President - Kyla Burry kylaburry@gmail.com.

## Parent/Teacher Interviews

We will be sending home report cards via email on December 3rd. On December 5st in the afternoon and evening, there are scheduled Professional Development sessions for teachers in the morning, and Parent/Teacher meetings in the afternoon and evening.

More information on how/when to sign up for Parent/Teacher meetings will be sent out later in the month. We will once again be using PTCFast to make signing up as easy as possible for families.



Safe Arrival: 1-833-582-6940

If your child will not be at school, please call the safe arrival line to report that they will be absent. Please do call this number before 9:00am

# **December Dates**

## December 5

PD Day / PT Conferences – No School for Students

## December 9

PTA Holiday Bazaar runs this week

## December 10

Grades P-2 Holiday Concert

#### December 11

Grades P-2 Holiday Concert

#### December 20

Last day of School for 2024

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# **Holiday Concerts in December**

So people can make arrangements early, we wanted everyone to know the details of our Holiday Concert which will showcase what students from **grades Primary to Two** are learning in Music class.

Our holiday concerts will be on Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> in the afternoons only.

Students in grade 3-5 will be showcasing their learning in April 2025.

#### Plans for Inclement Weather

It is important to take the time now to review our policy on inclement weather. In the event of an early/emergency dismissal (i.e. bad weather or emergencies such as a power outage) we will contact families directly to review how/with whom students will go home at dismissal. please ensure that if there are any further changes to contact information/emergency contact people, you advise the school as soon as possible.

It is the decision of the HRCE as to whether school is closed. The school cannot make that decision. In cases when the weather is bad early in the morning, this will be communicated via the HRCE website (for school closures and/or delays. You can also sign up to receive notifications by email or text from this site as well. Decisions are made by 6:00am (for morning) and 11:00am (for mid-day) closures.



# **Reminders:**

- Weather can be unpredictable. Please make sure to send appropriate outdoor clothing.
- Supervision starts at 8:20am each day. There is no supervision after school by staff.
- Please feel free to drop your child (Grades Primary to 5) off at the Kiss and Go in the back of the school each day after 8:20 am.

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